

APOLLO 10 SPLASHES DOWN RIGHT ON MARK

Vandalism Shuts BH Jr. High

Fire Hose Left Running; Glass Broken

Extensive water damage caused by vandals forced Benton Harbor school officials today to close down the Benton Harbor junior high school at 423 Broadway.

Principal V. Winston Ferris said water damaged all three floors of the south section of the building. Water from a fire hose left turned on on the third floor seeped through the other two floors, he said.

WINDOWS BROKEN

Other damage included windows broken out of five doors and the emptying of all fire extinguishers, leaving a residue of soot throughout the school. Five rooms and the office were entered but nothing appeared to have been taken.

An announcement was to be made later today on whether the school would be reopened Tuesday, Ferris said.

Benton Harbor police said they had no leads on who was responsible for the vandalism. But they said detectives were working on the case.

Water seeped down through the ceiling of the second floor and flooded the cafeteria area, and then seeped through to the girls' gym on the first floor, causing floorboards to swell, according to Ferris.

Ferris said the custodian found the girls' gym flooded with three inches of water in sections when he reported to work at 6:30 a.m. today. The cafeteria had one and one-half to two inches of water on the floor.

ON LONG TIME

Ferris said a fire hose in the third floor hallway had been turned on sometime during the night and left running. How long the water was left running was unknown, he said.

Windows had been broken out of the doors in the library, bandroom, and rooms 121, 300 and 316. Ferris said the vandal or vandals may have entered through a metal shop room in the basement. A window was broken and the window half-raised, he said.

Viet Cong Announces Cease-Fire

SAIGON (AP) — The National Liberation Front announced today that Viet Cong forces will observe a 48-hour cease-fire, from 7 a.m. Saigon time May 29 to 7 a.m. May 31, to make the anniversary of Buddha's birth.

The South Vietnamese government had announced May 8 that its troops would observe a 24-hour cease-fire, from 6 a.m. May 30 to 6 a.m. May 31. U.S. and other allied forces agreed to join in. May 30 is to be celebrated as the 2,513th anniversary of Buddha's birthday.

IN SPACE

Astronauts Find Way To Shave

From Associated Press SPACE CENTER, Houston — You might have guessed!

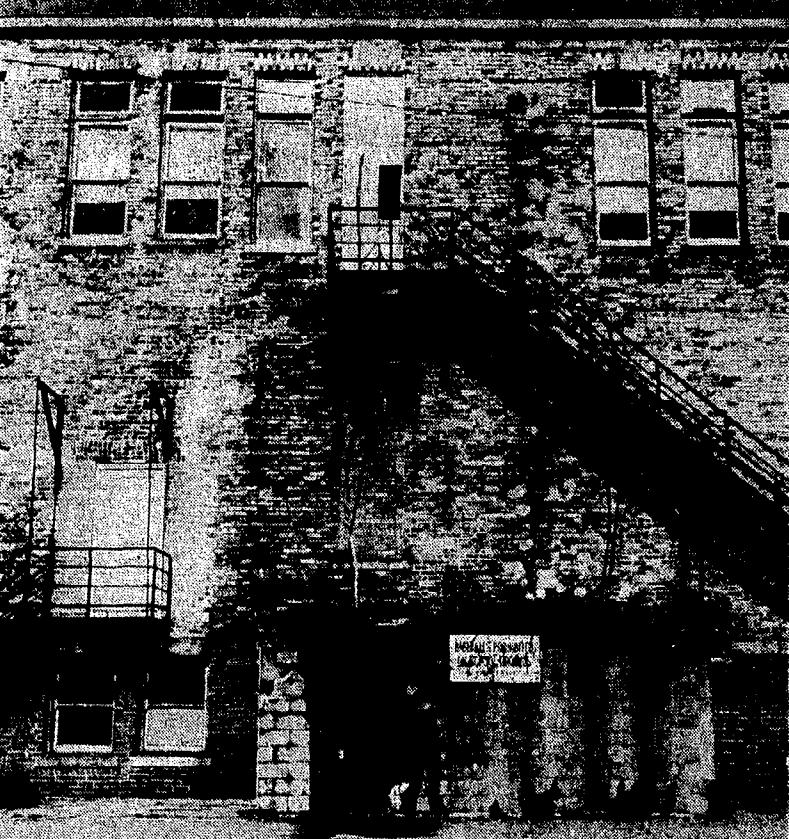
The space agency spent thousands of dollars (unsuccessfully) to develop a power razor so astronauts could shave in space. But shorn bristles floated in the weightlessness of the space capsules.

Yesterday, the Apollo 10 astronauts shaved in space for the first time. How did they do it?

They used a \$1 safety razor and brushless shaving cream from the corner drug store, of course!



WHY SCHOOL CLOSED: Flooded area in cafeteria at Benton Harbor junior high school reflects windows—and reason why school was inoperable this morning. The cafeteria and girls' gymnasium were both flooded when fire hose was turned on by vandals sometime last night. Schools officials said school would be closed until water could be removed from floors.



FIRE HOSE HANGS OUT TO DRY: Fire hose that was used to flood three floors in the Benton Harbor junior high school hangs from door of the third floor fire escape to dry. The fire hose was turned on sometime last night in the third floor hallway, causing extensive damage to ceilings and floors. (Staff photos)

Help Finally Comes To Destitute Family

ST. CLOUD, Minn. (AP) — "I think things are going to be okay because we finally found someone to help us," said a penniless Graham, Wash., man, after his wife and 5-day-old baby girl received medical attention in this central Minnesota city.

Robert Pastain, his wife and their 2-year-old daughter were traveling from Flint, Mich., where they attended the funeral for Mrs. Pastain's mother, when the labor pains came.

"I told my wife to wait until we get home," Pastain recalled, "but the time came and there was nothing we could do about it."

CAN'T WAIT Pastain said the baby was born in the hospital in the small Wisconsin town of Tomahawk. Against the wishes of the attending physician, Pastain said, they had to travel as soon as

the child was born. "We just didn't have any money. The gas tank was full but we had over a thousand miles to go and not one cent with us."

"The people at the hospital in Tomahawk told us they could pay for the delivery of the baby but did not have welfare facilities."

So the Pastains left Tomahawk for home Wednesday night, less than two hours after the baby was born.

Pastain said he ran out of gas about noon Thursday and he sold his 17-jewel wrist watch for a \$6.50 tank of gas.

Both his wife and baby became ill Friday, Pastain said, and he stopped in several towns requesting medical attention.

"We stopped in one town in Wisconsin and went to four doctors. Their nurses all told us we couldn't even see the doctor be-

cause I told them we couldn't pay."

NOT A FREELOADER

Pastain, who said he works as a welder, says it was the first time he ever needed to ask for help.

"I hate asking for help but I'd feel terrible if my kid died. But no one seems to care about you if you have no money,"

Pastain told Sterns County officials Saturday.

Deputy Sheriff Conrad Braun told Pastain that St. Cloud hospital would take care of both mother and child.

The deputy told Pastain to take his ease and appeal for funds to the county welfare board when the office opens to-day.

"The child and mother will be cared for," said the deputy. "In cases like this you have to give help before you worry about about money and bills."

Next Stop Should Be On Moon!

'Beautiful' Ending For Great Trip

SPACE CENTER, Houston (A) The Apollo 10 spacecraft, returning triumphantly from a trip to the moon, splash down in the Pacific Ocean in good shape today. "We are in great shape," radioed one of the astronauts.

The spacecraft was sighted almost immediately as it came through a light cloud cover and helicopters were overhead.

Splashdown was three miles from the prime recovery ship.

As they approached the world they had left eight days before, Air Force Col. Thomas P. Stafford and Navy Capts. John W. Young and Eugene A. Cernan, beamed down a television message of hope.

"How much we're going to progress in the future is left to your imagination," Stafford said, "but if we harness our energies and keep our perspectives right, the goals are unlimited."

The first light of dawn was coming up over the Pacific as Apollo 10 entered its blackout.

Atmospheric entry to splashdown was to take about 14 minutes.

"We have a first report that Samoa rescue one aircraft has visual contact," mission control announced as the spacecraft came out of the blackout.

A second aircraft spotted the ship.

However, mission control said later that the aircraft had radio contact—not visual.

Television cameras picked up the spacecraft.

"We're practically over the target said Young. Twenty-four thousand feet high, two small parachutes called drogues, were ejected. They acted as the first brake to slow the command module's descent and put it in proper attitude.

"We're gonna be there shortly," Stafford announced jubilantly.

The USS Princeton, a helicopter carrier, was the main recovery vessel. It was steaming near the splashdown point, 399 miles east of Pago Pago in the Samoan Islands.

Because of the dawning light, it was impossible to see the three giant parachutes that slowly lowered the spacecraft into the water.

Soon the parachutes could be seen rising 130 feet above the spacecraft and the sailors on the Princeton cheered.

The sea was smooth with waves of 3 to 4 feet, the sky was partly cloudy and temperatures were in the high 80s. The 11 m.p.h. breeze was barely enough to ruffle the Princeton's flags.

"The lookout aboard the Princeton reports they are sighting the spacecraft on parachutes," said mission control. It was still 25 minutes to sunrise.

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KENNEDY CHARGES

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., called the battle "senseless and irresponsible" in a Senate speech last week and his stand was supported over the weekend by Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield and Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D.

Mansfield said Sunday the United States is jeopardizing progress in the Paris peace talks by escalating the war through expanded military pressure creating an "act-react syndrome."

"What we ought to do is not so much apply pressure in Vietnam as to instead apply pressure in Paris," the Montana senator said. "That is where peace is going to be made, not on the battlefield."

Mansfield made the comment

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ON TOP OF THINGS: An unidentified U.S. paratrooper of the 101st Airborne Division views South Vietnam's A Shau Valley from the top of Dong Ap Bia (Hamburger) Hill. The Americans captured the hill from the North Vietnamese during a 10-day-long assault on their positions. (AP Wirephoto)

Laird Defends Vietnam Tactics

Speaks Out In Support Of Military

Senator Kennedy, Others Criticize Battle Objectives

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird has spoken out in support of U.S. battlefield tactics in Vietnam, which Democratic critics say cause needless loss of American lives.

"It's always been our goal to keep the maximum pressure on the enemy consistent with the lowest possible casualties," Laird said Sunday, adding that U.S. commanders continue under instructions to carry out this policy.

Laird, a Republican congressman from Wisconsin before President Nixon appointed him defense chief, outlined his view in an interview before he board ed his airplane for a week-long North Atlantic Treaty Organization planning conference in Brussels and London.

Battlefield tactics have come under mounting criticism from Democratic leaders since the 10-day battle in which GIs drove North Vietnamese off Dong Ap Bia Mountain in 11 assaults that cost some 50 American lives.

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LMC Gets \$63,430 In U.S. Funds

Program Will Provide Jobs For Students

A \$63,430 federal work-study grant to pay the employment of needy students attending college has been awarded to Lake Michigan college.

Officials said the grant, the largest such grant ever received by LMC, will enable LMC and non-profit and governmental institutions in this area to hire about 50 students during the summer and up to 125 during fall semester.

Combined with matching funds, the grant will help pay to hire LMC students in a wide variety of jobs including laboratory, clerical, library, building and grounds, stenographers, security aides, and business office assistants, among others.

"All students employed in the college work-study program must carry at least 12 credit hours of academic work and must maintain satisfactory academic progress," said Gordon Dann, work-study program director and an LMC counselor.

Qualified students from low-income families will be given highest priorities for the summer and fall jobs, Dann said. They need not be Berrien residents.

The new grant is the fourth and largest of work-study grants.

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Van Buren Lieutenant War Victim

Artillery Shell Fires Prematurely

SOUTH HAVEN — A freak accident at an artillery firing position somewhere in war-torn Vietnam Saturday killed First Lt. Richard M. Schenck, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schenck, route 5, South Haven, the U.S. Army has reported.

A telegram telling of Schenck's death was delivered to the family at their home on 8th avenue Sunday morning by state police from the South Haven post.

The telegram said Lt. Schenck was killed in action in Vietnam while at an artillery firing position, directing fire at hostile forces, when a round detonated prematurely.

Members of the family said they did not know where Lt. Schenck was fighting at the time of his death. They said they received their last letter from him, written May 12, in which he said he was located at An Loc, northwest of Saigon near the Cambodian border.

Lt. Schenck was the second South Haven man to die in action in Vietnam. Marine Pfc. Robert S. Mueller was killed in September, 1967.

In his last letter he said he

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Airliner Hijacked

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Northeast Airlines plane bound from Miami to New York has been hijacked and is headed for Cuba, the Federal Aviation Agency reported today.

FAA said the pilot of Flight No. 6 reported at about 10:50 a.m. he was changing course for Havana. At that time, the Boeing 727 was over the Atlantic off Jacksonville, Fla.

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Editorial Page

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Fighting An Intangible War

During the past year or so, an ominous term has gained currency in connection with inflation. It was coined to describe a growing lack of public confidence in the U.S. dollar. More and more we hear the words "inflation psychology." The financial decisions of businesses and families alike are increasingly subject to the feeling of inflation and a sense of slipping values. As business columnists wrote some time ago, the struggle has taken on the shape of "inflation psychology versus governmental restraint."

With a new Administration in Washington, one that went into office pledged to restore confidence in the dollar and solvency to government, the uppermost question is how this struggle is faring.

So far as business and price indices go, the boom continues. But statistics may prove to be an unreliable guide to the more subtle side of inflation stemming from confidence, or lack of it, in the dollar.

It may be that the struggle against inflation psychology is making headway. The evidence is accumulating that the Nixon Administration means business. A federal budget surplus is forecast for 1970. Federal spending is being held down. This, combined with current tax credit policies, is expected to have a gradual restraining influence on the rate of inflation.

Beyond the specific steps to put governmental monetary affairs in order, top federal officials have placed themselves on the firing line in the press and elsewhere with confidence-building statements. In a copyrighted interview in the popular Sunday newspaper magazine, "Parade," Treasury Secretary David Kennedy endeavors to answer some of the foremost questions about prices, money, economic controls, taxes, recession, military spend-

ing, etc. Kennedy's words are plainly spoken.

He believes that by this coming fall, prices will not only stop rising, but should start dropping. He likens governmental restraints such as tax increases, spending cuts and fiscal and monetary "tightness" to the discipline that every householder must practice when family spending and income get out of line. He thinks these restraints will be reflected in lower interest rates, just as he expects them to gradually bring a halt to inflationary price increases.

On the other hand, he sees no reason for a depression. Today's demands, technology and expectation, in his opinion, should maintain a foundation of economic growth for years to come. And he believes an ending of the war in Viet Nam would be "The best thing that could happen to our economy."

On the all-important matter of unemployment, he believes there will be no lack of jobs for skilled workers, but reports likelihood of fewer jobs for unskilled workers and urges an intensive training effort to upgrade the abilities of the unskilled—an effort such as now being conducted on nationwide scale under the stimulus of the National Alliance of Businessmen. Kennedy pointed out that the damage of inflation could well do far greater harm to the country and our people than any temporary unemployment resulting from anti-inflation measures.

Whatever the coming months bring, it appears certain that both "inflation psychology" and inflation control are to receive more than token attention from the Nixon Administration. There is a good chance that the people will back up the Administration's anti-inflation moves, since they are now learning that wage and income increases can no longer keep up with the dwindling purchasing power of the dollar.

Another Sour Legacy In U.S. Diplomacy

Reports of a rebel uprising in primitive West Irian should be of more than passing interest to U.S. officials in Washington. For it was only under American pressure that the Dutch in 1962 turned over West New Guinea to the Indonesian government of President Sukarno.

Ellsworth Bunker, now Ambassador to South Viet Nam, was the mediator seven years ago, and talks between the Dutch and Indonesians actually were held at an undisclosed location near Washington.

At that time, there was real concern that fighting between Indonesian paratroopers and Dutch forces in West New Guinea might lead to more far reaching armed conflict. The Soviet Union was giving Sukarno massive military assistance to reinforce his claim to what the Indonesians called West Irian.

The Bunker plan, as finally adopted by both sides, called for recognition of Indonesia's claim to sovereignty over the 161,000-square mile territory. It provided that, at some unspecified time after transfer of control from the Netherlands to Jakarta, the 700,000 Papuans who inhabited the territory would be given an opportunity to determine their own future through an "act of free choice."

That vague promise now is the crux of the trouble in West Irian.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

CLARK PLANS BIG CHANGES

—1 Year Ago—

Clark Equipment company has announced it will ask shareholders at a special meeting in Buchanan on June 26 to approve three major changes in the company's operations.

The company will ask shareholders to approve a change in the company's state of incorporation from Michigan to Delaware to increase the authorized common stock from 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 shares and to create a new class of 3,000,000 shares of preferred stock.

JAYSHEE OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

—10 Years Ago—

New officers were installed

WILLIAM RITT

You're Telling Me!

Dandelions, a horticulturist insists, are truly awfully pretty. Could be to you, Buster—but those in our front lawn and back yard are just pretty awful!

The pudu is the smallest species of deer — nature item. That being the case, it's name no doubt is pronounced "pooh-pooh."

There are now two father-son pairs in Congress — the Symingtons and the Goldwaters. Well, Capitol Hill is a nice place for a family reunion

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUIK!

1. Name the only planet that possesses a ring or rings.
2. Of what is pewter an alloy?
3. What is the hardest substance in the human body?
4. How many chambers does the human heart have?
5. How many basic pigments does human hair have?

IT HAPPENED TODAY
On this day in 1913 the first actors' union, Actors' Equity Association, was organized.

IT'S BEEN SAID
A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke.—Rudyard Kipling.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE GAZEBO — (ga-Zee-beau) —noun; a structure commanding an extensive prospect, especially a pavilion or summer-house.

DID YOU KNOW...
George Washington instituted the custom of the Presidential Inaugural Ball.

BORN TODAY

"Why Don't You Do Right?" was the first smash hit of her career and Peggy Lee's been "doing all right" ever since. In the respect she commands from critics, both as a popular vocalist and as a jazz artist, she is a rarity among singers.

Peggy Lee polishes and perfects every aspect of her performances—her special coiffures, her costly wardrobe, her lighting, her entrances and exits, and her musical arrangements. Her perfectionism may have derived from her association with Benny Goodman, who

when the Berrien Springs Junior Chamber of Commerce auxiliary met with Mrs. Bruce Taiclet.

The new officers are Mrs. Wayne Westfall, president; Mrs. Dale Beeny, vice president; Mrs. Lawrence Slaybaugh, secretary; Mrs. Ladd Stacey, treasurer; Mrs. Kenneth Fisher, corresponding secretary; Mrs. William Morlock, historian; Mrs. George Dent, Mrs. Clyde Coleman and Mrs. William Glascock, board members.

DRIVE FOR ROME MOUNTS IN FURY

—25 Years Ago—

The Fifth army captured the town of Cori, seven miles outside the former Anzio beachhead today as Allied forces rolled the Germans back in swift advances toward Rome. The Eighth army, hitting a stride in coordination, took frowning Monte Cairo and the town of Roccasecca beyond it, in advances north of Cassino, Allied headquarters announced. San Giovanni, on the southern edge of the Liri valley and four miles south of Ceprano, also was captured.

The capture of Cori, 6½ miles northeast of Cisterna, severed the last enemy communications in the direction of Calmontone for any German troops remaining in the vicinity of the Pontine marshes and placed the Fifth army within eight miles of the Via Casilina (Highway 6) the route which serves the enemy fighting the Liri valley.

POPPY CHAIRMAN

—35 Years Ago—

Mrs. Marshall Shearer is

has always demanded the best from his performers.

Good in an discovered her vocalizing in the Buttery Room of Chicago's Ambassador West. She joined the Goodman band as a replacement for Helen Forrest in 1941, when the band was at the height of its popularity.

"I learned more about music from the men I worked with in bands than I've learned anywhere else," she has said. "They taught me discipline and the value of rehearsing."

In 1944 she began to record for Capitol Records, for whom she has produced a long string of hits—many of them with lyrics and music by Peggy and first husband, guitarist Dave Barbour. Among them were: "Golden Earrings," "You Was Right, Baby," "It's a Good Day," "Manana," and "I Don't Know Enough About You." Today she has a top rating as a songwriter with the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.

She has won numerous polls as best female vocalist and, in 1962, hit her personal high spot with an appearance at the Lincoln Center for New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

Others born today include John Wayne, Paul Lukas, Laurence Rockefeller and Al Jolson.

YOUR FUTURE

Halcyon days are confidently prognosticated for you and yours. Today's child will be one of the more fortunate members of the community.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. Saturn.
2. Tin with lead, brass or copper.
3. Enamel of the teeth.
4. Four.
5. Only two—red and brown.

general chairman for the poppy sale to be conducted by the American Legion auxiliary.

FAMILY MOVES

—45 Years Ago—

The W.S. Slatons of Benton Harbor have moved to their newly completed home in Edgewater.

HONOR TO ST. JOE

—55 Years Ago—

"Germany" Scholz, a sophomore from St. Joseph high school brought honor to old St. Joe in the great interscholastic athletic meet at the university of Michigan when he tied for second place in the high jump. His record was 5 feet, 3 inches, a gain of an inch-and-a-half over his last year's jump in the tri-county meet at South Haven.

FIRST MATE

—79 Years Ago—

Will Elton will be first mate on the steamer Williams this summer.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press.

A NICKEL JOB

When informed by his teacher that he might be President of the United States some day, the youngster replied:

"I'll sell you my chance for a nickel."

Out of the mouths of babes burps the truth, oft times accompanied by breakfast. There are many people who would not give a nickel for the job. So far Dick Nixon realizes that with a five cent piece he has a golden opportunity to purchase a lolly-pop and it would be all his. Now he faces the job of tossing out billions of dollars that are not his. Now, who wants to be President of the U.S.?

Spending the other fellow's money is comparatively easy. If Uncle Sam, via Congress and the Pentagon and many other financially lucrative spots, put out an appeal to Mr. and Mrs. John Citizen for financial aid on a voluntary basis it is more than likely the project would be oversubscribed; but at present the Administration just takes what it wants and gives it away to many who still owe us their shirtails for funds (let's call it accounts receivable) on the books from World War I.

We are now in the era of copper hard currency. The next change will be wooden money which can be split in many parts. There will be a premium on hatchets and axes. How soon will we be rubbing our fingers over copper five cent pieces. Even the nickel is doomed thus adding another fundamental change in our democratic society. Should we ever decide to go back on the gold standard it would necessitate another Paris Conference so we could obtain DeGaulle's permission, even though he is pretty well out of the picture at present.

So, being President has its drawbacks.

I wonder how Mr. Daly would handle this job. His first thought would be to paint the Potomac green and change the name of Washington to St. Patrick. What would Len O'Connor, Chet and David do then?

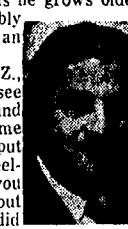
All you little boys who want this job, start saving your money. It can be done. Dick did it so can you. Keep smiling. William A. Rodgers, Bridgeman

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

My newborn baby was born with a heart murmur and we are terribly upset because there was nothing unusual about this, my third pregnancy. We have been told that this is a functional, rather than organic, murmur. Nevertheless, we wonder whether it will affect our boy's life as he grows older and possibly make him an invalid.

Mr. & Mrs. C.Z., Tennessee



children born with a murmur of this kind lose it after a few years and grow into adulthood with the normal expected longevity.

Surgery for fibroid tumors of the womb has been suggested. I cannot get my doctor to say definitely how extensive the operation will be. He does not know whether the total removal of the womb will be necessary. At my age of 35, this causes me great concern.

Mrs. M.E., Maryland

Dear Mrs. E.: Surgery that removes the womb (uterus) at any age is a source of concern. When one is in the child-bearing period, it is especially distressing if one still hopes to enlarge her family.

Fibroid tumors are benign, non-cancerous growths which grow on the surface, in the wall and on the inner lining of the womb. Their size varies from tiny ones to apple-sized and large melon-sized ones. In many cases, surgeons can tell by their size and the pressure exerted by these tumors, the exact extent of the surgery. In your case, as in many similar ones, the surgeon must base his choice of operation and extent of surgery on his findings when once he opens the lower abdomen. You must have complete faith that his past experience and judgment aims at your good health and the preservation of the womb whenever it is possible.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Can you recognize the leaves of poison ivy, sumac and oak? If you can, teach your children how to do this and tell them to avoid them.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH	EAST
♦ AKJ85	♦ 97
♦ 73	♦ 643
♦ 6	♦ K52
♦ AJ10	♦ K52
SOUTH	WEST
♦ Q	♦ AKJ10542
♦ K4	♦ Q87

The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ 1♥ Dble 3♦
3NT

Opening lead—two of hearts.

When declarer is missing four to the queen of a suit, his best chance in the long run is to play for the drop instead of finessing against the queen. However, the mathematical advantage is very slight, so whenever circumstances dictate otherwise, declarer should have no compunctions about abandoning the normal percentage play.

One of the most dramatic cases of this type occurred during the Italy-U.S. match in 1958. Tobias Stone (playing with Alvin Roth) arrived at three notrump on the bidding shown and the Italian West (Simis)

Acting on the assumption that West's overcall was more likely to be based on distribution than high cards, Stone finessed the jack and made eleven tricks for a score of 660 points. His decision to finesse was fortified by the knowledge that East had fewer hearts than West and was therefore likely to have more diamonds.

When Chiaradia (playing with D'Alelio) held the South hand for Italy, the bidding went:

South

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CRUNCHING CRASH ON I-94 KILLS 3 PERSONS

Police Dogs Unwanted By Twin City Leaders

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Blacks Hit Canines' Use

By TOM BRUNDRETT
Staff Writer

Two key Benton Harbor officials today turned thumbs down on acquisition or use of police dogs for crowd control purposes in the city.

The two, Mayor Wilbert F. Smith and Police Chief William McClaran, said the issue had never been discussed. But they both said they were against getting dogs.

Spokesmen for police agencies in Benton township and St. Joseph also said the issue had not been discussed. Neither have dogs now.

Berrien county, when the sheriff's department had dogs to help in police work, had a policy against using them on crowds. State Police spokesmen said they knew of no policy in their department against using dogs, but they said it had not



WILBERT SMITH
Benton Harbor Mayor

Ex-Teacher Is Sought By Police

Allegedly Fled Parole Area

A warrant alleging parole violation has been issued against Charles Lee Bell, 30, formerly employed by the community education department of the Benton Harbor school system.

Parole officer Robert T. Love said Bell was paroled to Michigan from Kentucky after conviction for rape and burglary. Bell is wanted for absconding from parole.

He resigned from community education Feb. 10, after doing public work and teaching two community education classes. Bell was employed by the community education office, not the personnel office at 400 Pipestone street which hires certified teachers.

Bell's Benton Harbor address was listed as 743 Broadway. He was believed to be driving a 1960 Pontiac Grand Prix.

Meetings Are Slated On Election

Final St. Joseph school election information meetings will be held this week with tonight's session at Clarke school, another Tuesday at Lincoln school and the final one Wednesday at Jefferson school.

The meetings start at 8 p.m. At each of the meetings a representative of the intermediate school district will present details of the proposed vocational technical program while St. Joseph school district representatives will discuss the 15-mill operating tax extension.

There will be time allotted for questions on both proposals. In the meetings earlier the question and answer period shed considerable light on the two proposals.

TOP TEEN DRIVERS: Ben Bonkowski, a Benton Harbor high school junior, won the Twin City Teen Driving championship Saturday. The Roadeo to demonstrate driving skill and knowledge on rules of the road was sponsored by Twin City Area Jaycees and Roger's Lincoln-Mercury, Watervliet. Contestants and officials, left to right: Lawrence Sherman, Dave Gelesko,

Two Cars Collide Head-On

Driver Asleep As Auto Crosses Over Median?

A high speed head-on crash in the westbound lanes of I-94 early Sunday night claimed the lives of three persons, including a mother and daughter, and injured two others.

17
Auto Deaths
In Berrien
County In
1969

Witnesses from the predominantly Negro gathering said the victim, ex-Special Forces Green Beret Walter Lewis Ward, 25, was shooting an automatic pistol at one of the dogs. One of the shots tore up a chunk of blacktop between the feet of the dog's handler before the officer returned the fire. The officer, Jerry Johnston, is white.

A special inquest into the slaying began at 9 a.m. today in Buchanan city hall. It was requested by nine Niles residents after Berrien county prosecutor Ronald Taylor ruled the slaying "justifiable homicide."

Mayor Smith said, "Personally I don't like the idea of getting dogs. I wouldn't condone it. They are okay for tracking but not for use against crowds. They arouse more hatred and resentfulness than anything I know."

The mayor said he hoped the situation never reached the point where the police force could not control a crowd.

FORCE LARGE ENOUGH

"I feel the force is large enough to handle almost any situation," said the mayor. "I never felt dogs were necessary."

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NO DECISION

"We have supplied police with information regarding the ineffectiveness of dogs in crowds, but so far they have made no firm decision. They need to re-evaluate this situation," Streets said.

The official said that every time the dogs are used in a small crowd animosity is created.

"The black kids feel the dogs are only used on them," Streets said. "No one answered when city officials were asked if they had ever been or would be used on white kids."

Niles mayor Frank Frucci had no comment to make on the fate of the dogs. "It's up to the Safety Board," he said. But he indicated that some policy must be developed.

The Safety Board ordered the dogs purchased in mid-1968 following an outbreak of window smashings in the downtown business section. The board acts independently of the Niles city council in providing for police needs.

The mayor said he hoped the situation never reached the point where the police force could not control a crowd.

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injured were Mrs. Loomis' husband, Wesley, 52, and their son Kenneth 13. Both received cuts and bruises. They were released after treatment at Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor.

The Loomis' were enroute home from a weekend at a cottage in the Battle Creek area. Relatives who had driven over with them for the weekend were also returning home via I-94 and came upon the crash scene.

The deaths raised the number of traffic fatalities this year in Berrien county to 17. Last year at this time, 18 had died on county highways.

Reeves said the accident occurred at 6:20 p.m. about a half-mile west of Roslyn.

The Cryer auto, said Reeves, traveled about 600 feet in the median before entering the westbound lanes. The point of impact was on the center line of the two westbound lanes.

NO SKID MARKS

Reeves said the Cryer auto left no skid marks. The driver, he said, apparently fell asleep.

Unopened cans of beer were found in the car, said Reeves, and tests were ordered performed on Cryer to determine if he had been drinking.

The Loomis auto traveled 90 feet after the cars collided before stopping on a slope bordering the highway.

According to Reeves, witness in cars behind the Loomis auto said the driver of the Loomis car, Mrs. Loomis, tried to swerve to miss the other car. It also left no skid mark.

One of the drivers, John Lauer, 47, of Joliet, Ill., said the windshield of his car was shattered and the trunk lid

was open. The State Highway department also announced that resurfacing will start late this week or next on M-139 from Main street, Benton Harbor, north to the intersection of US-31, 33, Hagar township. This will mean one-way traffic over sections of the three-mile route. The resurfacing is preparatory to the state turning the route over to the county.

Westbound traffic backed up over a half mile while officers and wrecking crews cleared the crash scene.

The Florin funeral home is in

charge of local arrangements for Mrs. Loomis and her daughter.

Mr. Cryer was born March 1, 1948, in Van Wert, Ohio, the son of Duane and Mary Lou Cryer.

The body will be taken to the

Alspach funeral home, Van Wert this afternoon, where funeral services will be held Thursday, May 29, in Woodland cemetery, Van Wert.

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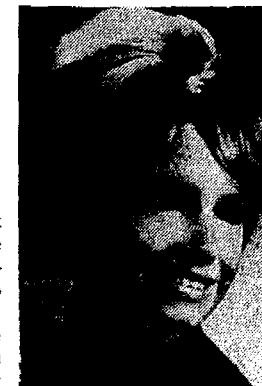
said this car, driven by one of the victims Mrs. Arlene Loomis, 49, was westbound. Mrs. Loomis and her daughter, Leslie, 11, were killed. The other car, eastbound, came across the median and into the westbound lanes.



CROSSES MEDIAN: This car, driven by Jerry Duan Cryer, 21, Battle Creek, crossed the median of I-94 and entered the westbound lanes heading

east near Roslyn road early Sunday night. The driver was one of the three persons killed. (Staff photos)

SJ Senior Is Winner Of Award



News Quiz Takes You Around World

Your daily newspaper takes this newspaper with the cooperation of Brown's Pharmacy, places and even to the moon.

Big news stories may break in the next block or thousands of miles away. Top events are reviewed in the weekly News Quiz, a quick way to determine if you are keeping up with the news.

Places like Malaysia, Peru, France and Indianapolis are mentioned in this week's quiz on page 23.

The quiz is part of the visual education program sponsored by

BIAFRAN BOMBS NIGERIA

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Biafran

used planes smuggled out of Sweden and flown by young

Swedish pilots to bomb two

Nigerian towns last week, the

Stockholm newspaper Ex-

pressen said today.

The scholarship award was established by Richard Grose, president of Advertising Workshop, 314 State street, St. Joseph, to assist young artists who play to pursue an advanced art education. Seniors in art submitted portfolios for judging to Edward E. Herrmann, a professional artist and teacher of South Bend. The scholarship award is administered by Mrs. Robert A. Jaeger for the Advertising Workshop.

Sawyer Man Is Injured

SAWYER — A Sawyer man,

Arthur Sawyer, 57, was hurt Sunday when the car he was

driving on Red Arrow Highway at Cherry Beach road, missed a curve in the road hit some signs, according to state police from the New Buffalo post.

Troopers said Sawyer was northbound and apparently went to sleep. The accident occurred at 6:35 a.m. Sawyer was taken to St. Anthony hospital in Michigan City, Ind., after complaining of difficulty in breathing.

TEEN PRINCESS: Sixteen-year-old Alecha Newbern of Oakland, Calif., wears crown in Chicago after she was chosen "Miss Teen Princess—U.S.A." She was the first Negro to compete for the title in the annual competition. Mi. Newbern will compete later for title of International Teen Princess. (AP Wirephoto)



TOP TEEN DRIVERS: Ben Bonkowski, a Benton Harbor high school junior, won the Twin City Teen Driving championship Saturday. The Roadeo to demonstrate driving skill and knowledge on rules of the road was sponsored by Twin City Area Jaycees and Roger's Lincoln-Mercury, Watervliet. Contestants and officials, left to right: Lawrence Sherman, Dave Gelesko,

second place; Ralph Frost, co-chairman; Dave Gieber, director; Duane Davis, Jaycees' president; Bonkowski, first place; John Cruce, co-chairman; Lynn Reisig, Brad Carroll and Jim Sadler. Bonkowski qualified for state Roadeo to be held in Twin Cities June 7. (Staff photo)

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BUCHANAN INQUEST OPENS IN WARD SLAYING



CRASH INJURES NINE: A two-car accident Sunday afternoon on Lemon Creek road at Garr road three miles west of Berrien Springs resulted in seven persons being hospitalized. Two others were released after treatment. Berrien county sheriff's deputies said the crash occurred when one of the cars, northbound on Garr, drove onto Lemon Creek in front of the other car, carrying seven of the nine persons. (Staff photos)

Union Pier Event Is Surprise

Ex-Postmaster Is Honored

UNION PIER — Mrs. Jack (Virginia) Dickhout, former master of Union Pier, was honored Sunday at a surprise open house at the Union Pier Community hall for her service for 25 years as postmaster and for her participation in civic affairs.

She was presented a plaque by George Ghareeb, president of the Union Pier Property Association.

NEW POSITION Mrs. Dickhout retired as postmaster of Union Pier, was Jan. 17 of this year. She is presently serving as postmaster in Vanderbilt, Mich. She lives in Boyne City with her husband, Jack.

Mrs. Dickhout is a past president of the Michigan Chapter of the National Postmasters. She has also served as district director and vice president of the Postmasters Association. In collaboration with a postmaster from Louisiana she wrote a brochure for the National Public Relations board on which she served as Michigan director. The brochure was sent to all post offices in the United States.

She served as sergeant-at-arms for seven national conventions and has served on many national committees.

SCHOOL HER IDEA

In 1961, Mrs. Dickhout instigated the idea of the Michigan State Postmasters school, which is held annually at Lansing. Forty-six states now have similar schools.

She is past president of the New Buffalo Woman's club, Band Parents club, county director of the March of Dimes and a member of Blossomtime, Inc. She has also assisted in various charitable enterprises.

Mid-Berrien Crash Injures 9 Persons

Smashup Occurs At Garr, Lemon Creek Roads

Seven persons were hospitalized and two others were released after treatment as the result of a two-car accident Sunday afternoon on Lemon Creek road at Garr road, three miles west of Berrien Springs.

Among the persons hospitalized were Robert A. Johnson, 17, route 2, Box 402, St. Joseph, and Cecil Strong, 15, of route 2, Box 410, Berrien Springs. Both were admitted to Memorial Hospital, St. Joseph.

Johnson, driver of one of the cars, received head injuries and possible internal injuries. He was reported today in fair condition.

Strong was also reported in fair condition in the intensive care unit. Berrien county sheriff's deputy Stanley Wolkins and Sgt. John Gillespie said he received head and chest injuries and a broken left leg.

The other five persons hospitalized were from Indiana as were the two persons released following treatment.

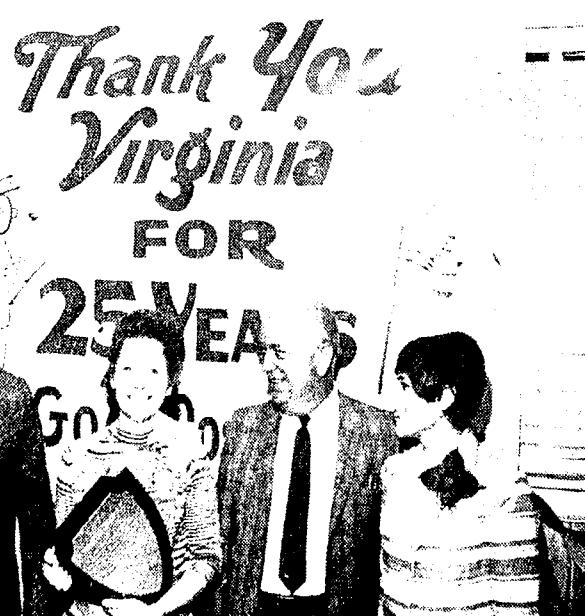
The seven were William McKinnies Jr., 19, Walkerton, Ind., driver of one of the cars, reported in fair condition at Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor with cuts, scrapes and bruises.

Paula Sorrell, 13, South Bend, Ind., reported in fair condition in Mercy hospital with broken ankles.

Mrs. Sandra K. Wayson, 29, South Bend, reported in critical condition in Berrien General Hospital.

Four ambulances were called to the scene to remove the victims.

Johnson told the deputies he did not see the other car and when he came to he was lying on the road. The accident is still under investigation.



POSTMASTER HONORED: Former Union Pier postmaster Mrs. Jack (Virginia) Dickhout (center) holds plaque she was presented Sunday for her 25 years of service both as postmaster and for her participation in community affairs. With Mrs. Dickhout are her son, Richard Novacek (left) who has been acting Union Pier postmaster since Mrs. Dickhout retired in January; her husband, and her daughter, Mrs. David Briggs. (Don Wehner photo)

Instructions Are Given By Judge

All-White Jury Probes Niles Death

BUCHANAN — An inquest into the shooting death of a Negro last Monday in Niles started here today with Fifth District Judge Paul Pollard admonishing an all-white inquest jury to reach a decision without regard to race or color.

"Unless you can reverse the color of the persons involved, you had better reexamine your verdict," the judge told the jury at the opening of the special hearing into the death of Walter Ward, 25, a Negro slain by white Niles policeman Jerry Johnston during a disturbance last Monday at the Burger Chef restaurant in Niles.

The judge reminded jurors — four men and three women sworn in Friday over Mr. Ward's body in Dowagiac in literal compliance with an 1846 state law — that the Constitution is color-blind.

One of the jurors will be dropped before the remainder begin to deliberate, in Judge Pollard's words, "Where, when and in what manner Walter Ward died."

If the jury finds assault, murder or manslaughter, it shall "state who, if known, is the accessory or principal," Judge Pollard said.

The inquest started at 9 a.m. today in the tiny second-floor Fifth District courtroom in Buchanan city hall, then recessed briefly to permit Berrien Prosecutor Ronald Taylor to prepare a diagram of the scene of the shooting.

Judge Pollard has excluded all witnesses from the courtroom. Some 40 may be called, and they lounged around city hall or on the sidewalk near the building. They will be admitted to the courtroom only to testify.

Also in the courtroom were Prosecutor Taylor; his assistant, Maurice Nelson; Prosecutor's Investigator Andrew Novakoff; the mother of the dead man and his pastor, The Rev. J.A. Blow of Second Baptist church of Dowagiac; and one of the nine Niles residents that petitioned for the inquest, The Rev. R.B. Nabors.

The prosecutor is attending "not as an advocate" but to assist the jury to determine the facts, Judge Pollard said.

The inquest is expected to run today and possibly into Tuesday.

The inquest jury's finding and a record of the inquest would be sent to Berrien circuit court and from there presumably to Prosecutor Taylor if criminal prosecution were indicated.

PINNED IN WRECKAGE

The officers said McKinnies was pinned in the auto when they arrived. The six other occupants had been thrown out or crawled out of the wreck, they said. The Indiana car was bound for motorcycles races.

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Fast Thief Gets \$2,000 In Loot

Equipment Stolen From Parked Truck

About \$2,000 worth of equipment, weighing almost a ton, was stolen from a truck parked in the K-Mart parking lot Saturday night, Benton Harbor police reported.

Owner of the truck, Henry Kopelewski, Jr., 54, of route 4, Dowagiac, said the truck was parked at K-Mart for about an hour.

Stolen were an \$800 tractor mower, two sanders, two saws, a router and two drills with a total value of \$1,000, and a tool box with over \$200 worth of tools.

Also reported stolen were 4 plain boards used as bleachers, from the Millbridge speedway in Bainbridge township, according to the Berrien county sheriff.

Robby Rash, who ar-



STARTING POINT: These students from Andrews university at Berrien Springs, along with others from Lake Michigan college, Benton Harbor, and St. Joseph high school, walked Sunday to raise money for starving Biafrans, victims of war in West Africa. Here at Andrews, Dr. Richard Hammill, university president; and Luke Anosike, a theological seminary student from Biafra, brief

walkers before hike to Twin Cities and back. Some \$2,500 was reported raised through donations to Red Cross Biafra fund and more money was said coming in today. Walkers included 114 students from Andrews, 20 from LMC and six from St. Joseph high. Twin Cities walkers hiked to Berrien Springs and back. (Shafer photo)



WATER STATION: Ellen Bailey of Andrews university pours water for walkathon hiker Sunday at one of seven water and check point stations between Berrien Springs and Twin Cities. With her is her sister, Lois Bailey, also an Andrews student. Total of 83 of 140 hikers completed 25-mile trip to aid Biafrans. Times were reported to range from just over four hours to about ten hours. Donations included \$500 from Whirlpool Corp., which sponsored 15 student walkers at a rate of \$1 per mile. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Little Loss Seen From Light Frost

Traverse City Fruit Crop Feared Hard-Hit

Scattered light frost occurred last night throughout Southwestern Michigan, but it is believed that little damage was done to ground crops and probably none at all to tree fruits.

The Sodus Experimental Station reported a low of 29 degrees at ground level and a low of 33 degrees at the five foot level. The lowest area ground temperature was 26 degrees, reported by several growers in the Watervliet area.

In that area growers felt that some frost damage may have been caused on tomatoes, grapes and strawberries, but the extent of damage is believed to have been slight.

Wally Heuser of Hilltop Or-

chards, Hartford, reported a low of 31 degrees in the orchards there.

"The wind started to pick up around 4 a.m. and it warmed up considerably here," Heuser said. "I don't think there was any appreciable damage last night."

"Some smudge pots were seen burning in grape vineyards in our area last night and a few strawberry growers used their irrigation systems to protect their crops," Harvey Bolter, Berrien county horticultural agent said. "I don't think that anyone was hurt too bad."

Other reported lows at ground level last night from various sub-stations of the U.S. Weather Bureau were: Paw Paw, 26; Bangor, 28; Glendale, Grand Junction and Eau Claire, 29; and Riverside, 30.

Pellston reported a low of 20 degrees and it is believed that heavy damage may have occurred throughout the Traverse City area where temperatures ranged from 22 to 26 degrees, according to Bolter.

The U.S. Weather Bureau in



NUMBER 1: Number 1 during student walkathon Sunday appropriately was assigned to Luke Anosike of Biafra,

who is a theological seminary student at Andrews university. Here, Anosike steps off miles between Berrien Springs and Twin Cities. (R.W. Patterson photo)

Memorials may be made to Dollars for Scholars.

Man, 21, Charged With Bigamy

BANGOR — An Elkhart, Ind. man was arrested here early Sunday by state police from South Haven on a warrant charging him with bigamy.

Police said they arrested Tommy D. Ruff, 21, around 5:30 a.m. at the home of one of Ruff's alleged wives. A warrant had been authorized for Ruff's arrest by District Judge Donald Goodwillie, Jr., last November, when Goodwillie was still the Van Buren county prosecutor.

Ruff was lodged in the South Haven city jail awaiting arraignment.

Police said the warrant was issued after Ruff's first wife, Judy, Dandara, Ill., charged that Ruff was married in August, 1967, to a 16-year-old Bangor girl. Police said Ruff was separated from his first wife and that records show that he was married to her in June, 1966, in Phoenix, Ariz.

Former South Haven Man Slain

CHICAGO — A former South Haven, Mich., man, John Miles, 33, was shot to death Friday night at a Chicago recreation center where he was employed on a part-time basis.

Chicago police reported that the shooting occurred about 10 p.m. when Miles was closing the center at 3414 West 16th street. Also shot and seriously wounded was Robert Rash, who ar-

rived at the scene and attempted to help Miles, police reported.

YOUTHS ACCUSED

Miles was reportedly employed full-time as a bus driver for the Chicago Transit Authority and worked during off hours at the center.

The shooting was committed by one of a group of youths who pounded on the center door and demanded entry,

ven, survivors include two uncles, Richard Brown of Grand Rapids and Master Sgt. Eddie Brown with the U.S. Army.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday in the Everson funeral home, South Haven. The Rev. Noble Sanders will officiate. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today.